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**CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL AUTHORITY RELEASES
BAY AREA TO CENTRAL VALLEY HIGH-SPEED TRAIN
REVISED FINAL PROGRAM EIR**

SACRAMENTO – The California High-Speed Rail Authority today has made available a Revised Final Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Bay Area to Central Valley portion of the state’s high-speed train (HST) system.

In March, the Authority circulated a Revised Draft Program EIR for 45 days to comply with a court judgment in litigation challenging the Authority’s certified 2008 Bay Area to Central Valley HST Final Program EIR for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act. The Authority held two public hearings in April and has received more than 3,700 comments.

The Revised Final Program Environmental Impact Report includes revised text, copies of public comments, responses to comments and the full text of the Authority’s 2008 Bay Area to Central Valley High-Speed Train Final Program EIR.

The Revised Final Program EIR, which is posted on the Authority’s website, www.cahighspeedrail.ca.gov, will be considered by the Authority’s Board of Directors at its meeting on September 1st and September 2nd.

An additional opportunity for public comment will be provided at the meeting on September 1st.

On September 2nd, the Authority Board will consider certifying the Revised Final Program EIR and making a new decision on a preferred network alternative for the high-speed train system to connect the Bay Area to the Central Valley.

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